

**TOWN OF SUGAR HILL
TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sugar Hill, in the County of Grafton, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Sugar Hill, New Hampshire, will be held at the Meetinghouse on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., to act on the following subjects:

Polls will open at 11 a.m. for voting by ballot on Article 1 (the election of Town Officers) Polls will close at 7:30 p.m. unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour. All other Articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon starting at 7:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 1: To vote by nonpartisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

- One Select Board Member to serve for a term of three (3) years
- A Town Treasurer to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Town Clerk to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Tax Collector to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Moderator to serve for a term of two (2) years
- One Library Trustee to serve for a term of three (3) years
- One Trustee of the Trust Funds to serve for a term of three (3) years
- Two Board of Adjustment member to serve for a term of three (3) years.
- One Board of Cemetery Trustees to serve for a term of three (3) years.
- One Supervisor of the Checklist to serve for a term of six (6) years
- And such other Town Officers as may be required by law.
- And to bring in your votes for Executive Councilor.

ARTICLE 2: To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges and make appropriations of the same as set forth in the following budget:

Executive	47,275
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	22,575
Payroll Taxes	33,748
Financial Administration	23,015
Property Revaluation	26,828

Legal Expenses		12,000
Planning Board		2,000
Zoning Board of Adjustment		500
Insurance		182,727
General Government Buildings		41,000
Buildings & Grounds		29,750
Cemetery		15,000
Advertising & Regional Associations		7,585
North Country Council	1,085.00	
Franconia Notch CC	6,500.00	
Police Department		177,620
Fire Department		76,700
Ambulance		11,270
Emergency Management		500
Airport		700
Town Maintenance		182,268
General Highway Department Expense		177,308
Highway Block Grant		36,000
Street Lighting		12,000
Solid Waste Disposal		47,401
Health, Hospitals		6,009
NC Home Health	1,775.00	
Grafton County Senior	200.00	
American Red Cross	292.00	
WM Mental Health	692.00	
Ammonoosuc Com Health	1,250.00	
Burch House	300.00	
Above the Notch	500.00	
Boys & Girls Club	500.00	
Center for New Beginnings	500.00	
Welfare		6,000
Tri County Cap	950.00	
Unemployment		100
Library		25,985
Parks & Recreation		31,034
Patriotic Purposes		2,000
Conservation Commission		500
Interest Expense – Tax Anticipation		1,000
Long Term Notes		37,500
Interest Long Term Notes		30,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		1,305,898

The Select Board recommends these Appropriations.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1976.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be used for Highway Department Roadwork. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the fund is expended or in 3 years, whichever is less. (Majority vote required)

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Fire Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Fire Department Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2008.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 2006.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2009.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Carolina Crapo Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2004.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to create a Town-funded trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Northern Pass Defense Fund, for the purpose of financing legal expenses and other costs incurred by the Town in advocating the Town's opposition to the Northern Pass project, to appoint the Selectmen as agents to spend this fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund; and further, to authorize the Selectmen to accept donations, grants or gifts, in any amount, to be utilized for the same purposes as said fund, and to be held and invested as set forth in RSA 31:19-a, paragraph IV.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to Amend the Town Meeting vote of March 10, 2009, concerning provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a,1(b) currently reading "the expending of funds for contributions to "qualified organizations" for the purchase of property interests is to be held by the qualifying organization and the Town will retain no interest in the property" to read: To authorize the Conservation Commission to expend funds for projects only in the Town of Sugar Hill for the purchase of property interests, or facilitating transactions related thereto, where the property interest is to be held by the Conservation Commission within the confines of the Town of Sugar Hill.

This Article by Petition

ARTICLE 13: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 24th day of February, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

SUGAR HILL SELECT BOARD

John J. Strasser, III

Richard Bielefield

Margaret Connors

A true copy attest:

SUGAR HILL SELECT BOARD

John J. Strasser III

Richard Bielefield

Margaret Connors

RETURN OF POSTING

We hereby attest that the within Warrant is a true copy of the Warrant for the Town Meeting described therein, and further certify that we have caused to be posted an attested copy of this Warrant at the place of the Meeting and a like copy in one other public place in the Town of Sugar Hill, namely the Carolina Crapo Building fourteen (14) days before the day of the Meeting on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, not counting the day of posting or the day of the Meeting.

SUGAR HILL SELECT BOARD

John J. Strasser, III

Richard Bielefield

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This Warrant and Return of Posting has been duly recorded in the Office of the Town Clerk of Sugar Hill, New Hampshire, this 24th day of February, 2014.

Town Clerk